

Meeting Description: March Monthly GIS Users Group Meeting

Date: March 6, 2008 **Time:** 10:00 AM

Location: Michigan Center for Geographic Information, George W. Romney Building, 10th Floor, Large Conference Room

Attendees:

Andrew Hartwick, St. Joseph County

Ann Burns, SEMCOG

Dan List, WMU

David Slayton, MDEQ

Ed Hartwick, MDCH

Eric Nischan, MSP/EMHSD

Gus Martinka, WMU

Jeroen Wagendorp, GVSU

Joe Kogelmann, Census Bureau

Joyce Newell, MDOT

Justin Booth, MSU/RSGIS

Kathleen Weessies, MSU Libraries

Kim Borland, MNFI

Laura Blastic, CGI

Rebecca Rogers, MNFI

Rosemary Anger, Barry County

Sam Quon, City of Lansing

Shannon Dara, CGI

Sherman Hollander, DNR

Steve Aichele, USGS

Steve Stepek, KATS

Trevor Floyd, St. Clair County

Valdis Kalnins, Allegan County

Conference Update

- IMAGIN – May 4-7, 2008 – Dearborn, MI

- Asset Management – April 13, 2008 – Kellogg Center, Lansing MI and May 21, 2008 in Marquette.
- MiCAMP – September 15-17, 2008.
- Great Lakes Homeland Security Training Expo and Conference – April 22-24.

Framework Update – Laura Blastic

1. We are in the QAQC process for version 8.
 - a. Release will be May 1st. Shape files will follow in early summer.
2. We have done a lot of work with local centerlines and partnerships.
3. If interested in partnership for version 9, please contact Laura Blastic soon to arrange work plan before May 1st.
4. Working with Indian Reservation roads with MTU, Tribal Technical Assistant Program group (TTAP). We are helping to add and update tribal roads, with this comes a new tribal code, and we will have a network code and a BIA, Bureau of Indian Affairs code.
5. We have continued to add in roads for ACT51, State Police, Crash, etc.
6. We are still working on attributes, if you have changes, you can send those in, but new features will not be added.

Digital Ortho Update – Laura Blastic

1. Everett has met with MDOT to determine the Counties that we do not have Imagery for yet. He is also meeting with other State Agencies to see if there are different needs or priorities. Everett is also looking to see if there is additional funding available.
2. CGI is also working with Counties that have flown since 2005 or will fly by 2009 and try to get new partnerships.
3. If you have any questions regarding partnerships, or know of any Counties that may want to partner, please contact Everett Root at 517-373-7910.

DNR Update – Sherman Hollander

1. Working on putting the ownership parcels for the state parks into GIS. CGI is involved in this project. This involves State land that DNR manages.

MDOT Update – Joyce Newell

1. Just got back from a HPMS workshop.
 - a. They are completely changing the process for entering data.
 - b. We work with regions and MPO's to collect the data.
 - c. It was suggested that we have a workshop to train in collecting the data and using the software.
 - d. Discussions were had at looking to get a better handle on where Federal roads are.
 - i. Indian and Federal Forest Roads are the hardest to distinguish.
 - e. The new HPMS will include 1-point layer, a point for each interchange. HPMS is allowing us to have a picture of the interchange.
 - i. Not sure if CGI or MSU would be best source for clipping out Imagery.

MSP – Eric Nischan

1. We are taking a stab at getting layers that don't exist.
 - a. Working with CGI and looking at Police, Fire, EMS, State Facilities, Schools and Long Term Care Facilities.
 - b. There are layers out there, and regulatory lists to get us started, and some local data sets also.
 - c. Will start at a state level for central repository to get on a map. The layers will be stored centrally.
 - d. Ann Burns from SEMCOG stated they would share their new school updates with MSP.

MDCH Update – Ed Hartwick

1. Focused on getting disease surveillance into geocoder.

2. We received data for the 1918 Spanish Flu Pandemic.
 - a. We are currently reviewing, as it was the last big pandemic.
 - b. EMS and Historical may be interested in viewing the data.

CGI Update – Laura Blastic

1. The TAMC investment-reporting tool has released the new version and training has been completed. Contact CGI for any help at 517-373-7910.
2. PASER training is being conducted by MTU through March and April.
3. CGI has finished its part of MiDrive, and MDOT will roll out soon.

County/Local Update

MSU – Justin Booth

1. We are offering training on April 7, 2008 for ArcGIS 1 & 2, Geodatabase class, and possibly an Ortho class also. Details can be found on our website at <http://ims.rsgis.msu.edu/>

City of Lansing – Sam Quon

1. We are providing training to staff members in developing apartment complex maps. SDE server has run into a few issues with blocks and cannot edit, we are currently trying to alleviate this problem.
2. We are also working on LUCA updates.

St. Clair County – Trevor Floyd

1. We have started to receive our parcels back and they are showing up online.
2. Working on Sign Inventory as a grant through ESRI.
3. We are looking at replacing Arcpad and converting to ArcGIS mobile.
4. We will see about retooling the damage assessment application.
5. We are working on getting point addresses for all parcels.
6. The postal service has a service where you can send the address to them, and they will return the USPS address along with the zip + 4.

Barry County – Rosemary Anger

1. We shipped off LUCA about two weeks ago.
2. We are waiting for March quarter review.
3. Working on County Addresses for Zip + 4.
4. Attended FEMA modernization for new FEMA data.

St. Joseph County – Andrew Hartwick

1. It has been a busy time for the assessment units, as we have taken over the updating for 911.

Allegan County – Valdis Kalnins

1. We are taking framework and matching with the latest edits for 911 and public transportation.
2. Dan has left Allegan County and is now with Western University. Neil Besteman is now our GIS Manager.
3. GIS Analyst position will be posted within the next week or so. Looking for someone with a Bachelor's degree with a GIS focus.

Regional Update**SEMCOG – Ann Burns**

1. We are currently working on Data Management, keeping data up to date and working with the departments for updating of schedules.
2. Our New web site is currently up and running.

Federal Update**USGS – Steve Aichele**

1. We are lining up everything for the Ortho flight; getting all of Macomb, Oakland, Livingston, Wayne, half of Washtenaw and most of Monroe in 1' true color public domain. This will be available this fall.
2. Our goal is to have the 10 meter dems done for Michigan this calendar year. Some of the work may go to MSU.

3. It is proposal season and any work that relates to elevation work or Hydrography, structures, etc will be main focus.
4. If there is any training needed on NHD or Ortho, please contact Steve.

Census Bureau – Joe Kogelmann

1. We will start the two year countdown on April 1st.
2. LUCA program is receiving 10-15 responses a day for map and address updates. We are starting to digitize those updates. As we have also been reviewing the address lists.
3. Deadline for most jurisdictions is April 4th – 30th. For those signed up, about 60% will send in corrections.
4. Currently working on Redistricting with CGI. We will be sending them a sample County and another version of TIGER to utilize.
5. We are currently hiring temporary staff for reviews. Those interested can contact the Census Department at (313) 396-5002 or at www.census.gov follow path to the regional offices, Detroit, employment, position listing, geographic specialist.

Other

Western Michigan University – Dan List

1. We are working on researching web possibilities and organizing past captures.
2. We are looking at options with Google, Microsoft, etc.

MSU Libraries – Kathleen Weessies

1. IMAGIN newsletter is looking for new types or organizations to feature in their publication and other articles that may be of interest.

Next Meeting

April 3, 2008 from 10:00-12:00 PM, CGI Large Conference Room
111 S. Capitol Ave., Romney Building, 10th Floor, Lansing, MI 48933